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PUBLICATIONS

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OTHER

KUT-GUARD 40 by PR Industries is a glove that, as best can be determined, the yarn is comprised of a core of 1300 denier polyester and a first and second wrap of 0.004 inch stainless steel at 10 wraps per inch wrapped in opposite directions and a third and fourth wrap of 1300 denier polyester at 10 wraps per inch wrapped in opposite directions. The outer diameter of the yarn is 0.030 inch.

KUT-GUARD by PR Industries is a glove that, as best can be determined, the yarn is comprised of a 1300 denier polyester core strand wrapped directly by a 0.004 inch stainless steel wire at 8 wraps per inch, a wrap of 1000 denier polyester at 10 wraps per inch, and a wrap of 1300 denier polyester at 14 wraps per inch. The yarn has an outer diameter of 0.028 inch.

TUFF-KNIT STEEL II by Perfect Fit Industries is a glove that, as best can be determined, the yarn is comprised of 840 denier white polyester, a first and second wrap of 0.003 inch stainless steel wrapped at 8 wraps per inch in opposite directions, and a third wrap of 840 denier yellowish polyester at 10 wraps per inch and a fourth wrap of 1000 denier yellowish polyester wrapped at 8 wraps per inch. The yarn has an outer diameter of 0.022 inch.

TUFF-KNIT STEEL II(A) by Perfect Fit Industries is a glove that, as best can be determined, the yarn is comprised of a core of 1300 denier polyester and a 0.003 inch stainless steel wire wrapped to the left with a 0.003 inch stainless steel wire at 8 wraps per inch and wrapped to the right with a 0.003 inch stainless steel wire at 8 wraps per inch. The wrapped stainless steel wire is parallel to the polyester strand in the core. The core strands are wrapped first with 1000 denier polyester at 10 wraps per inch and a second wrap of 1300 denier polyester at 8 wraps per inch wrapped in an opposite direction of the second wrap. The outer diameter of the yarn is 0.028 inch.

POLAR BEAR by Golden Needles Knitting, Inc. is a glove that, as best can be determined, is knit from yarn comprised as follows: a core of one annealed stainless steel strand approximately 0.004 inch in diameter and one

parallel strand of stretched high strength polyethylene fiber (believed to be Allied "Spectra 900") of between 1000 and 1200 denier, and two outer wrappings wound in opposite directions, the first of high strength polyethylene fiber (believed to be Allied "Spectra 1000") of about 650 denier and the second of nylon (believed to be Allied "Caprolon") of about 630 denier. Allied Spectra is asserted by the manufacturer to have tensile strength greater than Kevlar (high strength aramid).

FOREIGN PATENTS & PUBLICATIONS

Patent No.	Country	Publication	Brief <u>Description</u>
19,406	German	09/12/82	Teaches asbestos covered threads having a metal wire inlay (core?) or a spinnable material inlay.
187,327	United Kingdom	10/18/22	Discloses a fabric composed of metal and fiber warp yarn and metal entwined with fiber filling yarn, the yarns being woven so that there is metal-to-metal contact at the crossing points of the warp and filling yarns.
1,401,378	United Kingdom	07/30/75	Discloses a temperature resistant fabric having a layer of aromatic polyamide or polyester fibers intertwined with asbestos yarn and a coating of elastomeric material.
1,539,816	France	08/12/68	Discloses a protective garment woven from a yarn in which metal wires are twisted, plated or wrapped on a textile thread.
43-5157	Japan	03/05/68	Teaches a yarn for decorative purposes. The yarn is composed of a metal core, a fiber thread twined around the core in one direction and a filament covered

fine	wire	twined	l aroui	nd the core
and	fiber	in the	other	direction.

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Japan

04/15/71

Discloses a protective glove knit

from stainless steel wire or wire

twine.

1,610,495

German

01/28/71

Discloses a yarn having a wire core thread spun around twice with a natural or synthetic fiber. The fibers may be spun around either in the same or opposite

directions.

Respectfully submitted,

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